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NORWAY.

Quarantine on account of plague.

CHRISTIANIA, July 27, 1900.

SIR: Inclosed I have the honor to send duplicate copies of a quarantine proclamation issued by the Royal Norwegian Governments, justice and police department, on July 20, 1900. I also send translation.

Respectfully,

HENRY BORDEWICH,
Consul-General.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

[Inclosure—Translation.]

Proclamation from the Royal Norwegian Governments, department of justice and police.

CHRISTIANIA, July 20, 1900.

A royal proclamation was made on the 17th instant, as follows:

It is hereby proclaimed that, in compliance with paragraph 2 in law relating to quarantine, the cities of Smyrna in Asia, Osaka in Japan, Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, and Melbourne, in Australia, shall, until further notice, be considered infected with the oriental plague, and the quarantine regulations laid down in said law and in circular of September 12, 1899, as regards plague, etc., are at once to take effect.

At the same time it is also hereby proclaimed that the ports of Argentina, which in proclamation of March 10 this year, were declared infected with the plague, shall no longer be considered as so infected.

With which all concerned respectfully have to comply. Which is hereby brought to public notice, while it must be remembered that according to prior proclamations of February 1, 1897, June 27, and August 22, 1899, and March 10, April 18, and May 23, 1900, Arabia, Persia, India, China, Formosa, Mauritius, the Sandwich Islands, and New Caledonia, as well as the city of Sidney, in Australia, and the ports in Egypt and Manila, shall, until further notice, be considered infected with the oriental plague.

A number of copies of this proclamation are inclosed.

A. QVAM.

PERU.

Yellow fever on the steamships Chili and Palena from Panama.

LIMA, PERU, July 19, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to inform the Department of State that during the past five or six weeks there has been great irregularity in traffic and the receipt of mails from Panama, due to the presence of yellow fever on the isthmus and precautions taken to prevent its spread by the port authorities to the south. The steamship *Chili*, of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, which sailed from Panama on the 9th instant, arrived at Callao night before last. Between Panama and Guayaquil 5 passengers died of yellow fever, in consequence of which the ship was not received at the last-mentioned port; neither was it received at Paita, Peru, where it next called. Between that port and Salavessy, Peru, another passenger died and was buried at sea. Yesterday morning the *Chili* put out to sea a distance of 10 miles to bury a seventh passenger who died shortly before in the Bay of Callao. The *Chili*, after taking on board fresh water, provisions, etc., will continue on her voyage to Valparaiso without being received at any Peruvian port.

On the 14th instant the *Palena* of the Compañia Sud Americana de Vapores, arrived from Panama infected with yellow fever. Rather than submit to the prescribed quarantine at Callao, she proceeded to Arica; but the port authorities refusing to receive her there, continued onward toward Valparaiso. In the case of the two steamships men-

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tioned, the mails, as well as passengers and freight, have not been disembarked in Peru.

Apropos of the foregoing I beg to confirm the following telegram this day sent to you:

LIMA, PERU, *July 19, 1900.*

Panama steamers arriving Peru, deaths yellow fever. Quarantine causing proceed Chili unreceived.

DUDLEY.

SECRETARY OF STATE, *Washington, D. C.*

Respectfully,
Hon. SECRETARY OF STATE.

IRVING B. DUDLEY.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Plague in Manila.

MANILA, P. I., *July 6, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that there occurred 3 cases of plague and 2 deaths in Manila during the week ended June 30, 1900. Of this number, 2 were Filipinos and 1 Chinese. There was no smallpox during this period.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MANILA, P. I., *July 14, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended July 7, 1900, there occurred 4 cases of plague in Manila, 3 of which resulted fatally. Of this number, 2 were Chinese and 2 Filipinos.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORTO RICO.

Report from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., *August 3, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a summary of transactions and monthly report of immigrants inspected at this port during the month of July, 1900.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,

Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.